

Established February, 1845.

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Mrs. D'ALMAIDA REMEDIOS, to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 12th December, 1888, at 2 p. m., at her Residence, Bixter House East,—

THE WHOLE OF THE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,

comprising:—

CRETONNE-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE.

BLACKWOOD INLAIN MARBLE-TOP, ROUND CENTER TABLE, CHIMNEY GLASSES, COLORED PICTURES, MARBLE MARTEL-PIECE COCOON, CARPETS AND RUGS.

DINING TABLE, CHIFFONIER WITH GLASS, WHATNOTS, DINER, DESSERT and TEA SETS, GLASS and PLATED WARE, VIENNA CHAIRS, GLASS BOW CARNS and TEAKWOOD DINING-ROOM SUITE.

DOUBLE BEDS, KITCHEN, SINGLE IRON BEDSTEAD, CHILD'S BRASS SLEEPING COT, WARDROBES with GLASS DOORS, CHEST OF

4 VERY OLD COLOURED PICTURES

SIX COLORED TABLES

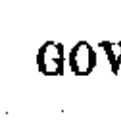
1 PARLOUR BILLIARD TABLE.
1 JINRICKSHA.
1 SEDAN CHAIR.

&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 6, 1888. 2049B



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 530.

TThe following Particulars of SALE of
CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION,
to be held on the Spot. THURSDAY,
the 13th day of December, 1888, at 3 p.m.,
are published for general information.

By Command,

ARATHOON SETH,
for the Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 1st December, 1888. 2039Z

Particulars of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on THURSDAY, the 13th day of December, 1888, at 3 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years.


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Particulars of the Lot.

No. of Sub-	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square feet.	Total Area.	Village.
			yds.	s.	n.	w.			
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		'	'
	Rural Building							0'	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233	234	235	236	237	238	239	240	241	242	243	244	245	246	247	248	249	250	251	252	253	254	255	256	257	258	259	260	261	262	263	264	265	266	267	268	269	270	271	272	273	274	275	276	277	278	279	280	281	282	283	284	285	286	287	288	289	290	291	292	293	294	295	296	297	298	299	300	301	302	303	304	305	306	307	308	309	310	311	312	313	314	315	316	317	318	319	320	321	322	323	324	325	326	327	328	329	330	331	332	333	334	335	336	337	338	339	340	341	342	343	344	345	346	347	348	349	350	351	352	353	354	355	356	357	358	359	360	361	362	363	364	365	366	367	368	369	370	371	372	373	374	375	376	377	378	379	380	381	382	383	384	385	386	387	388	389	390	391	392	393	394	395	396	397	398	399	400	401	402	403	404	405	406	407	408	409	410	411	412	413	414	415	416	417	418	419	420	421	422	423	424	425	426	427	428	429	430	431	432	433	434	435	436	437	438	439	440	441	442	443	444	445	446	447	448	449	450	451	452	453	454	455	456	457	458	459	460	461	462	463	464	465	466
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GREAT CLEARING SALE.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on
SATURDAY,
the 15th December, 1888, at 2 p.m., at his
Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,—
(Without Reserve),
In small Lots to suit Purchasers,
a QUANTITY OF
SURPLUS DRAPERY GOODS,
comprising:—
LADY'S COSTUME, DRESS MATERIALS,
JACKETS, WOOLLEN UNDER-CLOTHING, BOY'S
JERSEY SUITS, HOODS AND SHOES, HOSIERY,
GENTLEMEN'S UNDER-CLOTHING, TWEEDS,
COATINGS, RUGS, REMNANTS OF CARPETS,
And
A VARIETY OF
OTHER GOODS.
The above will be on view on *Friday*
next.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.
G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 8, 1888. 2065


GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 548.
THE following Particulars of SALE of

18th day of December, 1888, at 4 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,

ARATHOON SETH,
for the Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 10th December, 1888. 2074

Particulars of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on **TUESDAY**, the 18th day of December, 1888, at 4 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of Two Lots of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 years.

Particulars of the Lots.

No. of Lot.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.						Amount in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
		f.	in.	f.	in.	f.	in.		£	£
	Wing Fung Lane, (East End) Lane, near the old Protestant Cemetery.									
1	1,240	162	11	1,065	140	150		23,430	0	2000
No. 111		f.	in.	f.	in.	f.	in.			

Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

THE AMERICAN MUSICAL COMEDY
AND OPERA COMPANY.

Directors:—Messrs. P. W. WILLARD
and JOHN F. SHERIDAN.

THIS EVENING,
11th December, 1888,
Positively LAST TIME OF THE FAMOUS
MUSICAL COMEDY IN 3 ACTS,
Entitled

FUN ON THE BRISTOL.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.
Widow O'Brien.....Miss Vera Polley
Her maid.....Miss Vera Polley
Dora McAlister.....Miss Vera Polley
Countess Cranberry.....Miss Vera Polley
Captain Cranberry.....Miss Vera Polley
Richard Sparks.....Miss Vera Polley
Jory Thompson.....Miss Vera Polley
John Jones.....Miss Vera Polley
Pinkerton Hawshaw.....Miss Vera Polley

Act I.—HOME OF WIDOW O'BRIEN.
Act II.—SALOON OF STE. HENRI.
Act III.—NIGHT ON THE OCEAN.

Conductor:—Mr. J. ROBERTSON.

THURSDAY NEXT, Dec. 13th,
COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT TO
Mr. and Mrs. FISHER (Miss FLO
MORRISON).

when will be produced
THE TRIAL BY JURY,
THE WATERMAN

and
THE 1st ACT OF RUDDIGORE.

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2075

**G. CHIARINI'S ROYAL
ITALIAN CIRCUS AND
MENAGERIE**

**Tonight,
AND
Every Night,**
At 8, commencing 9 p.m. sharp

This institution does not require Bon-
nastic Amusement. Its vast
pavilions, first class Exhibition in all its
Branches, comfortable Accommodation,
Brilliant Illumination, and a Splendid
Menagerie of Formidable Animals, speak
for themselves.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:—

Boxes with 6 Chairs.....\$12.00
Single Chairs in Boxes.....2.00
Dress Circle Seats.....1.50
Orchestra Seats.....0.50
Gallery.....0.40

Children under 9 and Soldiers and Sailors
in uniform Half Price to all parts of the
house. Reserved places with Carpeted
Seats and Gallery will be provided for
Ladies only.

**8.30 P.M. SATURDAY AFTERNOON,
Grand Extra Performance.**

Doors open at 3 p.m. half an hour before
Performance. Specially for the Ac-
commodation of Children.

L. MAYA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2053

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL
SOCIETY

WILL PERFORM
GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S OPERETTA
'**IOLANDE,**'
ON
**THURSDAY,
AND
SATURDAY,**
the 20th and 22nd December.

Doors open at 8.30. Performance to begin
at 9 o'clock p.m.

Tickets for the Second Performance may
be obtained from Messrs. LAY, CRAWFORD
& Co., on and after Thursday, the 13th
Instant. Price, 8d each.

R. LYALL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2050

Insurances.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

Incorporated by Royal Charter of
His Majesty King George the First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to take Insurances as follows:—

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 19, 1888. 1760

**QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.**

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to ACCEPT
RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 15, 1887. 1340

**NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.**

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above
Company, are prepared to Insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ATLANTIC, British barque, Capt. T. Munro.

WILSON & Co.

RAFAEL, American ship, Captain E. W.
HARRISON—Order.

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
Steamship
Pachmar
will leave for the above
place TO-MORROW, 12th December, at
Noon.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2081

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

FOR SWATOW.
The Co.'s Steamship
Formosa,
Captain HALL, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on THURSDAY, the 13th Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
**DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.**

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2080

**CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
The Co.'s Steamship
Whampoa,
Captain HALL, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on THURSDAY, the 13th Instant,
at Noon.

The attention of Passengers is directed
to the Superior Accommodation offered by
this Steamer, which is situated amidships
upon the upper Deck.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.**

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2025

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
Ningpo, Captain F. SCHULZ, will
be despatched for the above
Port on THURSDAY, the 13th Inst.,
at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
**SIEMSEN & Co.,
General Managers.**

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2087

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.
The Co.'s Steamship
Nanong,
Captain POORE, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on FRIDAY, the 14th Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
**DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.**

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2083

**THE SCOTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.
The Company's Steamship
Phra Chom Klao,
Captain W. H. WATSON, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on FRIDAY, the 14th Inst.,
at 8 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
**YUEN FAT HONG,
Agents.**

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2084

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN
STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

**FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND
ADELAIDE.**
(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEEN-
SLAND PORTS, and taking through
Cargo to NEW ZEALAND,
TASMANIA, &c.)

The Steamship
Guthrie,
Captain CHAM, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on THURSDAY, the 20th Inst.,
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
**RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.**

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2082

**CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.**

**TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS
TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE
UNITED STATES, AND EUROPE,
VIA**

**THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
AND OTHER CONNECTING
RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.**

THE British Steamship **PARTHA**,
3,107 Tons Register, WALLACE,
Commander, will be despatched for VANCOU-
VER, B.C., via AMOY, KOBE and
YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 13th
December, at Noon.

To be followed by the S.S. **ABYSSINIA**,
on the 10th January, and S.S. **BATAVIA**,
on the 7th February.

Connection will be made at Yokohama
with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan
Ports, and at Vancouver with San Fran-
cisco, by the regular Steamers of the
Pacific Coast Steamship Company and
other Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to Eng-
land, France, and Germany by all trans-
Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class fares granted as follows:—
To Vancouver or Victoria, Mex. \$160.00
To San Francisco.....175.00
To all common points in Can-
ada and the United States.....230.00
To Liverpool.....300.00
To London.....305.00

To other European points at proportion-
ate rates. Special reduced rates granted to
Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service,
and the Imperial Chinese and Japanese
Customs, to be obtained on application.
Cargo rates to accompany Company Cargo
destined to points in the United States,
should be sent to the Company's Office,
addressed to Mr. D. E. BROWN, District
Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m. on the 13th December.

All Parcels must be sent to our Office
and should be marked to address in full,
and the same will be received by us until
6 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

For information as to Passage or Freight,
apply to
**ADAMSON, BRILL & Co.,
Agents.**

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 1977

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day taken Sole Charge of
Mr. A. COXON'S BUSINESS.
G. S. COXON.

WITH Reference to the above, I have
This Day COMMENCED BUSINESS as
SHARE & GENERAL BROKER.

G. S. COXON.

Hongkong, December 10, 1888. 2086

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be
CLOSED for the Transaction of
Business at Noon on THURSDAY
and FRIDAY, the 13th and 14th Instant.

For the 'Chartered Mercantile Bank of
India, London and China,'
**JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.**

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Aus-
tralia and China,'
**T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.**

For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-
ing Corporation,'
**T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.**

For the 'Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris,'
**CHARNEY INGHAM,
Agent, Hongkong.**

For the New 'Oriental Bank Corporation,'
**E. W. RUTTER,
Manager, Hongkong.**

Hongkong, December 11, 1888. 2085

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
December 10, 1888:—

Pachmar, British steamer, 2,134 L. H.
Mulla, London October 25 and Singapore
December 5, Mails and General.—P. & O.
S. N. Co.

December 11:—

Guthrie, British steamer, 1,700 H. Craig,
Adelaide November 3, Sydney 19, Brisbane
17, Cooktown 21, Thursday Island 24, and
Port Darwin December 1, Coal and General.
—RUSSELL & Co.

Changyong, British steamer, 1,151, Bal-
bennie, Wuhu Dec. 5, Rice.—JARDINE,
MATHEWS & Co.

Kuang Lee, Chinese steamer, 1,508, R. M.
Andrew, Shanghai December 1, and Swatow
10, General.—G. M. S. N. Co.

Nanong, British steamer, 863, T. G. Pocock,
Fuchow, October 7, Amoy 8, and Swatow
10, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Ningpo, German steamer, from Wham-
poa.

Cruiser, British steamer, 647, J. Ogston,
Hainan December 6, Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD
& SWIRE.

DEPARTURES.
December 11:—

Folien, for Onat Ports.

Pathan, for Singapore and Sydney.

Chow Fa, for Bangkok.

Chow Fa, for Hongkong.

Andon, for Hainan and Pakhoi.

Princess, French corvette, for a cruise.

Lady Harwood, for Rajang.

Rattler, British gunboat, for a cruise.

Kuang Lee, for Whampoa.

Changyong, for Whampoa.

Berwick, for Singapore and Bombay.

Yulia, for Amoy and Manila.

Yangtze, for Shanghai.

Vendia, for Singapore and Bombay.

CLEARED.

Swan, for Yip.

Hien, for Nagasaki.

Soochow, for Hainan and Pakhoi.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Pachmar, for Hongkong: from Lon-
don, Mr. Brown, Surg. Surg. Haze,
Lieut. H. Thompson, and Mrs. Bondfield's
aunt; from Bombay, Miss Sexton; from
Colombo, Miss L. Brown, Mr. Thomas's 3
children; from Penang, Rev. W. D. Ash-
down; from Singapore, Messrs J. Riclion,
and A. Wagner and a Chinese. For Shang-
hai, from London, Mr. and Mrs. Brand,
3 children and 2 female servants, Mrs. Fi-
dall, child and infant, Rev. T. Stevenson,
Mrs. and Miss Stevenson, Miss Carter and
child, Messrs Marshall, Armstrong, Duffy,
Ebbins, McArthur, Stein and Gaird, Miss
Edger, Mrs. Henderson and child; from
Penang, Mr. Oong Keng Beng and native
servant; from Singapore, Mr. W. Jackson,
for Yokohama; from London, Miss Duff;
from Brindisi, Mr. A. R. Brown; from Pon-
tocolmo, Serg. H. H. Brown; from Pon-

Per Lady Harwood, for Rajang, 1 Chi-
nese.

Per Pathan, for Singapore, 6 Europeans,
for Chow Fa, for Bangkok, 5 Europeans,
and 15 Chinese.

Per Clara, for Haiphong, 20 Chinese.

Per Berwick, for Singapore, 2 Europeans,
and 427 Chinese.

Per Yangtze, for Shanghai, 10 Chinese.

Per Vendia, for Singapore, Messrs T.
Barry and Ngan King Hin.

Per Folien, for Tamsui, Messrs Wm.
Crookart and Peter O'Griffin, and Mrs.
McIntosh.

To DEPART.

Per Andon, for Hongkong: for Sai-
gon, 21 Chinese; for Batavia, Mr. E. B.
Jory; for Colombo, Mr. E. Verthumbe;
for Marcellus, Messrs E. Philippe, W. H.
Walters and J. M. Grable. For Saigon:
from Yokohama, Messrs Audouard and
Langard. For Singapore: from Yokohama,
Mr. Baird; from Shanghai, Mr. El. Whoon,
Mrs. Gray, infant and servant. For Mar-
cellus: from Shanghai, Messrs Sywardy,
Rienne, Valentin Sharples and Reynard;
from Yokohama, Messrs Paterson, Arakawa,
Fourth Roy, Nakayama, Count Yama-
gata (Japanese Minister), Mr. Funakoshi,
Colonel Hirose, Lieut. Colonel Nakamura,
Lieut. Colonel Otsuka Messrs Kaku, Gatsch,
Terachi, Marita, Sugli, Kanaguchi, Nika-
mura, Anaki; from Kobe, Mr. Kanachi
Nakamura.

Per Soochow, for Hainan, 50 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese steamer **Kuang Lee** reports:
From Shanghai via Swatow, on the 6th
instant, had moderate monsoon and over-
cast.

The British steamer **Nanong** reports:
Left Fuchow on the 7th instant, had fresh
N.E. winds and fine weather to Amoy.
Left Amoy on the 8th, and Swatow on the
10th instant; from Amoy to Swatow, light
variable winds and cloudy weather; and
from Swatow to port, moderate N.E. winds
and cloudy weather. In Fuchow, 3 Chi-
nese war vessels, and Revenue cutter
Ling Yee Steamers in Swatow, Hainan
and Fuchow.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI:—
Per Pachmar, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday,
the 13th inst. (Late Letters 11.10 to
11.40.)

Per Yookang, at 2.30 a.m., on Wednes-
day, the 12th inst.

For AMOY & MANILA:—
Per Don Juan, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednes-
day, the 12th inst.

MAILED BY THE FRENCH PACKET:—

The French Packet **Andon** will be
despatched on WEDNESDAY,
the 12th Instant, with Mails to the
United Kingdom, Europe, and places be-
yond, via Marcellus; to Saigon, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon,
Madras, the Australian Colonies,
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Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

**HOUSE OF CLOSING THE
ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS.**

When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in
closing the Mails for Europe, &c., by the
English and French Packets, when they
leave at Noon: The Money Order Office
will be closed at 6 p.m. by day.

8.00 a.m.—Posting of Press Current and
Circulars closed.

(Press Current and Circulars may
however be posted up to 10 o'clock
if they are tied in bundles, country
by country, with the address all
one way.)

10.00 a.m.—Registry closes.

10.30 a.m.—Posting of Newspapers,
Stocks, and Patents closes.

11.00 a.m.—Mail closes.

LATE LETTERS may be posted (from
11.10 a.m.) with 10 cents fee up to
11.30 a.m., after which hour they may
be sent on Board with the same Late
Fee.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. Dec. 11, 1888.

Stocks.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp. 50,000 \$ 125 all 157 buyers

BANKS.

Union Insurance Society Co., Ltd. 10,000 \$ 250 25 \$85

China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd. 24,000 \$ 83.33 25 \$71

North-China Insurance Co., Ltd. 5,000 \$ 200 50 \$124.287

Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd. 8,000 \$ 25 all 97

Chinese Insurance Co., Ltd. 10,000 \$ 200 200 \$155, buyers

Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd. 30,000 \$ 100 30 \$232, buyers

The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd. 30,000 \$ 100 30 \$234

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 30,000 \$ 100 30 \$273, buyers

The Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 30,000 \$ 100 30 \$217, buyers

Singapore Insurance Company, Ltd. 40,000 \$ 100 30 \$215, sellers

DOCK.

H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. 12,500 \$ 125 all \$38 1/2 prem., buyers

STAMBOURD COMPANIES.

H.K. O. and M. Steamship Co., Ltd. 40,000 \$ 20 all 120 1/2 prem., buyers

Indo-China S. N.

you to enforce the instructions I receive. These instructions are only given in regard to this colony as part of the British Empire, and as the Acts and Ordinances on this subject at home and in all colonies are the exception of Ceylon, have all been repealed. I am bound to submit. There are, of course, occasions when one is left in opinion from a measure, for the passing of which instructions are given. If conscience is concerned one may perhaps get out of it; but on the other hand, if it is a case which does not carry one to such an extreme, it is plain duty to endeavor to carry out the policy which has been imposed upon one. Now I admit the right of the British Parliament and the British Government to say what shall be the law which shall affect the whole Empire. Parliament in its wisdom has decided, whether rightly or wrongly, it is not for me to say, as to whether the policy of the Empire, which policy being a policy provided for the whole Empire and not for Ceylon or any particular part of it, I bow to the decision, and will to the best of my power carry out the decisions which have been arrived at at home. I have been directly instructed to pass this ordinance here:

MORE OPIUM SMUGGLING.
The case in which a boat-woman and a man of no particular employment are charged with having been in unlawful possession of some 1,400 taels of opium, was again before the Court this afternoon. Mr. Johnson, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. Caldwell appeared for the second defendant.

Mr. Johnson explained that the defendants were charged with being in possession of raw opium in the form of a chest without a certificate of purchase from the Government. Section 4 of the Opium Ordinance provided that licenses for trafficking in raw opium in quantities less than a chest might be granted, but as a matter of fact the Government had granted no license of this kind, so that the defendants had not possibly had a valid certificate of purchase. No person except the Opium Farmer was entitled to have raw opium in his possession in less quantity than a chest. His Worship said there had been put in three certificates of purchase and three papers purporting to be official export permits.

Mr. Caldwell said that according to his instructions the latter three papers did not pretend to be official export permits. That was to say, it was not pretended that they were issued by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

His Worship said he did not see how anybody else could issue them. Mr. Caldwell said that was one of the questions in this case.

Inspector Quincey said—At 7 p.m. on the 6th inst., I in company with two Chinese Sergeants and a Chinese Constable went to P. & O. wharf near the P. & O. triangular wharf. There I saw a small sampan lying about fifty yards off the wharf. I told one of the Sergeants to engage another sampan and see if there was anything in the boat. He indicated to me that there were some opium packages ordered the boat to be brought alongside the wharf. I saw in the boat the packages in Court. Each package contained four tins. On examining the contents of one of the tins I found what I took to be raw opium. The first defendant gave me the certificate of purchase. She said the opium belonged to a man whom she could point out and who had asked her to take care of it till he returned. She said the man lived in Queen's Road Central and that she could point out the shop. I put the opium in a rickshaw to take it to the Police Station. On going up Clarendon Street the woman said the second defendant and called out "A Piu." She said he was the man who gave her the opium. Second defendant admitted this, and said he bought the opium from the Opium Farmer. He repeated this statement in the charge-room after being cautioned.

By Mr. Caldwell—To the best of my knowledge, the second defendant was cautioned. The opium is not fit for smoking, and therefore I call it raw. I object to state where I got my information with reference to this opium.

Mrs. Caldwell said the first defendant contained the statement "680 taels of opium sold to Ting Ki in Sui Hak Street, on the 4th day of the 11th Moon (6th inst.); number of tickets, 70." The second certificate referred to "180 taels of opium sold to the same person on the same date." The third certificate contained the same statement with reference to 440 taels of opium. The certificates were stamped with the Opium Farmer's chop. The so-called export permits were marked "Ho" and purported to allow Ting Ki to export a certain quantity of prepared opium. They also were stamped with the Opium Farmer's chop.

Sergeant Berlin said he was in the charge-room when the defendants were brought in, and they did not say anything after being cautioned.

The charge-room interpreter on duty at the time said the second defendant stated that he bought the opium from the Opium Farmer. He said he did not know whether the opium was raw or prepared.

At this point the case was remanded to the afternoon of Monday next.

ATTEMPTED MURDER IN HONGKONG.

A daring attempt to murder was committed in Hongkong early one morning last week. It appeared to be the work of a French man, better known as "French Peter," who is at present unemployed, returned to his house, which is situated in an alleyway at the back of Miller Road, Hongkong, about 12 o'clock at night. He went to bed, soon after and fell asleep. During the night he was awakened by a noise coming from the door, and immediately afterwards he felt someone cutting at his throat, and at the same time something soft was thrown in his face. As the room was quite dark at the time, he could not see his intended assassin. He jumped up and grabbed the would-be murderer and a desperate struggle ensued between them, during which he received several cuts about the face and throat, a severe gash about three inches long on the right wrist, three cuts on the thigh, and the fingers of his left hand were also severely cut through while trying to grasp the knife. During the struggle the knife fell to the floor and French Peter got it, but could not get it away from the assailant. He was struggling about the room for some time when he got on to the veranda, the door of which was open; another desperate struggle took place there, and French Peter, finding himself getting exhausted, thrust the great cut of his back with a loud cry for help, but before assistance came the culprit managed to get over the veranda and made his escape. The boy then came up, and on bringing a light it was found that Mr. French Peter was bleeding profusely from the many wounds he had received. He, however, rushed off to the station in his pajamas and presented such a shocking appearance, as he was literally covered with blood, that the police thought him crazy and were going to lock him up, but on learning the cause of his injuries they sent him immediately to Dr. Reid, who quickly arrived and sewed up his wounds. The way the criminal had gone about his work suggested a knowledge of the house, and the police concluded that the outrage had been committed by a for-

mer boy. Detective Jones visited the house of a boy named Ahmo, who had been employed by French Peter about a fortnight ago, and who had been to the station a few days ago and complained that he could not get his wages. Jones, on searching the house, discovered several articles of clothing saturated with blood, and which had evidently lately been worn. In Ahmo's pocket was found the remains of the line which he had used for the purpose of blinding his victim. On being charged with the offence, French Peter said that last night and he invited two men, whom we had got there he commenced to beat me, so I used the knife.

THE RUSSO-KOREAN OVERLAND COMMERCIAL TREATY.

The following is the text of the recently concluded Russo-Korean Overland Commercial Treaty, as published in the *Official Gazette of Japan*, and translated by the *Japan Herald*:

For the purpose of strengthening the friendly relations existing between the two countries, and for facilitating the commercial intercourse carried on on the frontier, the following treaty has been agreed upon and concluded between Russia on the one hand and Korea on the other:

SECTION I.
Art. 1.—Russian subjects shall be at liberty to carry on trade in the five open ports of Chemulpo, Incheon, Pusan, Seoul, and Wonsan, and the merchants of other powers shall remove their firms and goods from the last-mentioned city, the Russian merchants shall do likewise, and Yanghwaichin, or a port as near this place as may be deemed necessary.

Art. 2.—The Russian Government shall appoint a Consul or Vice-Consul to reside at King-king, and Consul or Vice-Consul to exercise his functions on receipt of instructions from the King of Korea or the Russian Government.

Art. 3.—The Consul and other officers in King-king, sent by Russia, shall receive similar privileges and immunities as are enjoyed by Consuls in other open ports of Korea in all questions pertaining to official business.

Art. 4.—The Diplomatic representative of Russia and使者, and the Consuls and Vice-Consuls of that power in Korean ports, and the Boundary Commissioner and others shall have the right to travel freely to any part of Korea. The Korean local authorities shall furnish passports to such officers and shall also provide them with escorts for their protection, if necessary.

SECTION II.
Art. 1.—Russian subjects are at liberty to lease land in King-king for limited or unlimited terms, or to lease, purchase or build houses or construct godowns as they may wish. People shall be at liberty to carry on religious ceremonies in these places. When ground is chosen and arranged for concession to Russians, or the rate of tax on lots that are to be leased (in an unlimited term), Koreans and Russian officers must meet to discuss the subject. In the future when the Russians shall establish a Municipal Council, Chamber of Commerce, etc., and also fix upon a suitable place to make a burial ground, these shall be arranged according to the concession Regulations in force in the other treaty ports of Korea. In the future, the Russian officials shall form a pasture under one Korean title in length, in a vacant piece of ground which must be within 5 miles of King-king, for food for draught animals. The contract connected with the choice of the lot and the control of the same shall be arranged between the Russian and Korean officials. In such cases the fact must be mentioned in the passport.

Art. 2.—All goods imported into and exported from Korea overland, with the exception of the above-mentioned duty-free goods and prohibited goods, shall pay an ad valorem duty of 5 per cent. The goods, imported into and exported from the open ports by Russian merchants by sea, will pay duty according to the rate provided in the sea-trade treaty. This treaty cannot be applied to the land trade.

Art. 3.—The standard rate of duty on the original value of goods either imported or exported shall at once be reformed should trade show signs of activity. The amount shall be decided by a conference of the Russian and Korean authorities.

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SECTION VI.
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Art. 6.—Russian goods, when seized by the Korean authorities for violating regulations in King-king, shall be placed under the seal of the Korean authorities in conjunction with the Russian Consular authorities, and shall be detained by the former until a decision shall have been arrived at by the Russian authorities. In any claims of justice and right arising between Korean and Russian subjects in Korea, the Korean Government shall send a proper officer to attend when the case is being tried in the Russian courts. In the event of a case being tried in the Korean court a Russian officer will be in attendance.

Art. 7.—If any Korean subject who has been accused in court of having violated the law of his land, shall be detained in a shop, warehouse or dwelling house of a Russian subject in the foreign settlement, or in a merchant vessel in the possession of a Russian subject, on the official communication being made by the Korean authorities to the Russian Consul, the latter shall immediately seize the offender, and shall be delivered to the Korean authorities.

Art. 8.—If any Korean subject who shall have been accused by other persons, and those who have violated the law of their own land, or those who have been accused of war or merchant vessels, shall be arrested by the Korean local authorities and delivered to the Russian Consul on receipt of instructions to that effect. All other cases shall be managed as provided in Art. 9 of this section.

Art. 9.—Vessels of both countries on Tongmyong-kiang (Lake) (the frontier between King-king and the Russian port) shall be allowed free passage. Rules connected with ferry-boats, and other vessels up and down will be established for the benefit of both countries by the drafting of shipping water.

of currency or barter without being interfered with in any way by Korean officials. The Korean Government shall permit the construction of factories by Russians in all places, and will not be permissible for any other nation to be made in the future.

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Art. 6.—Goods passed through King-king from Russia or any other country shall be at liberty to claim the duty paid on such goods should the latter be re-exported intact within fifteen months of their receipt.

Art. 7.—Goods passed by other means than through the frontier customs by Russian subjects will be confiscated, and the offender will be fined double the value of the goods.

Art. 8.—Russian subjects are not permitted to certify goods belonging to Koreans as Russian goods to avoid duty.

SECTION V.
Art. 1.—Poultry, ducks and geese, such as are used by travellers for food, agricultural implements, all precious metals (gold excepted), gold and silver coin, instruments and tools connected with chemistry, natural philosophy, agriculture, medicine, and medicine, maps, pamphlets, stereophones (in limited quantities), fruits, greens, trees, flowers, fishes, bags, puppets, packages, ropes and lines can all be imported free of duty.

Art. 2.—Prohibited goods such as opium, firearms, shot and shell, opium, and belated, side arms, spears, guns, and other explosives such as dynamite are not permitted to be imported. Besides the articles expressly mentioned above, the transportation of spirits to Russia and the export of raw opium from Korea is strictly prohibited. All Russian subjects travelling in Korea shall carry on their persons a passport or a permit for their personal protection. In such cases the fact must be mentioned in the passport.

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SECTION VIII.
Art. 1.—The original text of this treaty is executed in the Korean and Russian languages. These versions have been minutely compared and have one and the same meaning. But if any different interpretation of this treaty shall ever occur, the Russian text shall determine the sense.

Art. 2.—All public documents forwarded to the Korean by the Russian authorities will be translated into Chinese or Korean, being accompanied with the original Russian copy.

SECTION IX.
Art. 1.—Five years from the date on which this treaty shall be signed and sealed, will be considered as the term of its operation. On the completion of this term either the Korean or Russian Government may, on giving six months notice to the other, demand a revision of the treaty. If this is not expressed, the treaty shall continue in force for another five years.

Signed, sealed and delivered by the respective officers of the high contracting parties at Seoul the thirteenth day of the seventh month of the year 497 of the foundation of Korea, corresponding to the eighth day of the eighth month of the year 1898 of Russia.

[L.S.] THE KOREAN REPRESENTATIVE.
T. WAREHILL.
Minister Resident of Russia in Korea.

NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Peshawar* arrived last night with the English mail of 9th November. We take the following telegrams from our Ceylon and Indian exchanges:—

MR. BRIGGS AND MR. BALFOUR BETTER.
London, Nov. 22.—The condition of Mr. Briggs and Mr. Balfour is improving. MR. HARRINGTON, M.P., FINED £500 FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT.

London, Nov. 22.—Sir James Hannen has fined Mr. Edward Harrington, proprietor of the *Examiner*, five hundred pounds for contempt of Court in publishing an article declaring that the Parnell Commission is a creature of Government and the *Times* newspaper.

Mr. Harrington declined the advice of his counsel to apologise.

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two children. Amongst the officers who embarked at Portsmouth were:—Mr. Hongkong, Col. C. H. Channery, A.P. Dep., Lieut. and Capt. W. Farman, C. and T. Corps, and Sub-Lieut. J. Macdonald, of the Education Department. The following programme has been promulgated:—Outward: Arrive at Gibraltar on Nov. 8, leave on the 9th; arrive at Malta on the 13th, leave on the 14th; arrive at Port Said on the 16th, leave on the 18th; arrive at Suez on the 20th, leave on the 20th; arrive at Colombo on Dec. 3, leave on the 6th; arrive at Singapore on the 14th, leave on the 14th; arrive at Hongkong on the 21st. Homeward: Leave Hongkong on Jan. 2; arrive at Singapore on the 8th, leave on the 10th; arrive at Colombo on the 18th, leave on the 20th; arrive at Suez on Feb. 8, leave on the 3rd; arrive at Port Said on the 6th, leave on the 8th; arrive at Malta on the 9th, leave on the 10th; arrive at Gibraltar on the 14th, leave on the 16th for Plymouth and Portsmouth.

Several members of the Chinese Mission now in Europe to assist Western industries, have been visiting Manchester, and viewed the sights of the city. Amongst other places they visited some of the chief spinning and weaving concerns in the district. They were also shown through Messrs. Watt's warehouse, the Royal Exchange, &c. On concluding their visit to Manchester they proceeded to Birmingham.

There was launched from the yard of the London and Glasgow Engineering and Shipbuilding Company (Limited), Govan, on the 3rd inst., a steel screw steamer named the *Edith*, of 2,950 tons gross, for Messrs W. J. Jenkins and Co., of London, for their Eastern trade. Her dimensions are—Length, 314 feet; breadth, 40 feet; and depth, 23 feet 6 inches. She has been built to class 100 A 1 at Lloyd's three-deck rule, and will have accommodation for 25 first-class passengers in saloon on main deck. Great attention has been given to the ventilating and sanitary arrangements, and the vessel will be lighted throughout by electricity. The steamer will be supplied by the builders with triple expansion engines, in the designing of which all the latest improvements have been adopted, and it is expected a high rate of speed will be attained.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The A.S. *Guthrie*, Captain Craig, arrived to-day with the Australian mail. We take the following telegrams from our exchanges:—

FRANCE AND GERMANY.
London, Nov. 10.—Admiral Krantz, the French Minister of Marine, states that if Germany expends 200,000,000 marks (£12,500,000) on her navy, France will spend a like sum on hers.

London, November 12.—M. de Freycinet, French Minister for War, stated in the Chamber of Deputies that, until now, there was no change in the general situation in Europe it would be vain to expect the ordinary war estimate of the country to fall below 650,000,000 francs (£22,400,000), and it was even necessary to make special efforts for the defence of the country. The present extraordinary expenditure of 500,000,000 francs (£20,000,000) beyond the amount already spent did not, however, indicate any aggressive intentions on the part of the Government.

London, November 13.—The semi-official *Nord Deutsche Zeitung*, published at Berlin, accuses the French Cabinet of inciting war between Germany and France, because M. Lockroy's (French Minister of Public Instruction) journal, *Le Rappel*, has advised the creation of a regiment of Alsacians.

London, Nov. 14.—Speaking in the French Chamber of Deputies last night, M. Goblet, Minister for Foreign Affairs, stated the European situation was such as to require every vigilance on the part of France, but the country was strong enough not to fear any provocation.

London, Nov. 28.—The German and Austrian press prophesy the collapse of the French Republic.

The German navy has been voted 5,000,000 crowns for increasing its size and efficiency.

RITUALISTIC PRACTICES.
London, November 10.—The Archbishop of Canterbury has cited the Right Rev. Dr. King, Bishop of Lincoln, to appear before him to answer a charge of permitting ritualistic practices.

RUSSIA AND TURKEY.
M. de Giers, the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, in receiving American Patriarch, who was to Russia as special representative of the Patriarch, hoped that Russia and Turkey would enter into relations based on mutual confidence.

IT IS SEMI-OFFICIALLY STATED THAT THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT ARE FURIOUS AT AUSTRALIA INSISTING UPON THE SAME RIGHTS AS OTHER NATIONS IN DEALING WITH CHINA. The Colonial Office is not disposed to hurry matters in connection with the Chinese question.

THE MADRE AGAIN.
A report has reached Madrid that 70,000 followers of the *Madre* made an attack on Wadal, and were at first repulsed, but eventually succeeded in capturing the place, after sustaining a loss of 3,000 men.

(Wadal, or Wady, is a country in the interior of Africa, forming part of the extensive region known as the Sudan, and is situated immediately to the south and east of the Sahara Desert, and adjoins the nomad Egyptian provinces of Darfur.)

THE CRISIS IN SPAIN.
London, Nov. 11.—Senator Canovas was mobbed in Madrid yesterday by a number of university students and Radicals. He declares that the demonstration was directed not so much against himself personally as against the monarchy.

THE AUSTRIAN EMPEROR AND THE CZAR.
London, 16th Nov.—The Austrian Emperor, who returned to Vienna last night, withdrew the Russian troops from the Austrian frontier.

SACKVILLE WEST ASKED TO RETURN.
London, 24th Nov.—The Republicans carried a vote by a majority of four, for the return of Sir L. S. Sackville-West, British Minister at Washington.

BAIRD AND GLADSTONE.
Mr. A. J. Baird, Secretary for Ireland, vigorously denounces Mr. Gladstone and his philo-Irish utterances.

THE WEEK OF THE 'THEODORE ROGER.'
London, November 14.—Further particulars regarding the recent collision in the English Channel between the ship *Theodore Roger* and the steamer *Nautilus* show that the captain and twelve of the crew of the *Theodore Roger* were drowned.

THE PARNELL COMMISSION.
London, November 13.—Sir James Hannen, President of the Parnell Commission, has received a menacing letter. Sir Charles Russell, counsel for the Parnellites, states that he has received several similar letters.

Further evidence in support of the charges made by the Times was taken before the commission to-day, the witnesses being two

ex-Moonlighters and members of the National League, who swore that they had joined in various outrages and discussed plans to shoot landlords. They had also destroyed sheep belonging to farmers who were obnoxious to the league, and had been quite ready to commit murder if ordered to do so. Sir Charles Russell, in cross-examination, tried to show that the witnesses were Fenians, but they declared that the members of the National League destroyed sheep belonging to farmers who were obnoxious to the league, and had been quite ready to commit murder if ordered to do so. Sir Charles Russell, in cross-examination, tried to show that the witnesses were Fenians, but they declared that the members of the National League destroyed sheep belonging to farmers who were obnoxious to the league, and had been quite ready to commit murder if ordered to do so.

ATTEMPT TO ARREST IRISH MEMBERS.
London, 27th Nov.—An attempt to arrest Irish members at the House of Commons has caused great excitement. Mr. Balfour declined having authorised the arrests. A committee of the House has been appointed to enquire into it.

MISCELLANEOUS.
London, Nov. 10.—The report that the Pope has issued another rescript has not been confirmed.

Nov. 18.—Sir John Gorst has refused the Governorship of Newfoundland.

The Empress Victoria embarked at Funchal for a visit to England. The Empress held her coronation farrowel in Berlin.

Nov. 20.—Henry George is in England. He attributes Cleveland's defeat to his vacillations between Free-trade and Protection.

The costs of the Times in the libel action with Honnery amounted to £8,000.

Nov. 21.—A letter has been received from Jameson dated April, which he stated that H. M. Stanley was then safe.

The Land League is appealing to America for funds for the defence of the Parnellites.

The Pope is issuing an encyclical letter, urging a union of the Catholics.

Leopold, king of the Belgians, is alarmed at the European situation.

